

# United States Senate

May 9, 2024

The Honorable Patty Murray  
Chair  
Senate Appropriations Committee  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Susan Collins  
Vice Chair  
Senate Appropriations Committee  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Chris Van Hollen  
Chair  
Senate Appropriations Subcommittee  
on Financial Services and General  
Government  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Bill Hagerty  
Ranking Member  
Senate Appropriations Subcommittee  
on Financial Services and General  
Government  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chair Murray, Vice Chair Collins, Chair Van Hollen, and Ranking Member Hagerty,

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested in the Fiscal Year 2025 Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. None of the entities for which I have requested congressionally directed spending are for-profit entities.

Sincerely,



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Tina Smith  
United States Senator

**Smith, Tina(D-MN) Financial Services and General Government  
Congressionally Directed Spending Requests**

<b>Recipient Name</b>	<b>Project Purpose</b>	<b>Project Location</b>	<b>Amount Requested (\$000)</b>
Norway House	The Interactive Learning Center in the Haugo Bibliotek (Library) will consist of seven world class innovative, interactive and immersive audio/video stations that will encourage the public to engage with the rare Norwegian-American Genealogy research materials.	Minneapolis MN	\$1,600
New American Development Center	This project will support New American Development Center's small business support program to ensure Somali entrepreneurs and business owners have the training, technical assistance, and capital they need to build wealth, create new jobs, and contribute to the greater economy.	Minneapolis MN	\$374
Minneapolis Regional Chamber, dba Camdentown/The Mixtape Strategy	Funding will support development of The Mixtape Strategy's technical assistance, mentorship, and resource connection programming designed to accelerate the growth of Black-owned businesses and culturally relevant entrepreneurial talent, fueling development of a vibrant business district.	Minneapolis MN	\$500
Red Wing Ignite	The Ignite, Innovate, and Invent Makerspace will be a cutting-edge tech hub supporting diverse entrepreneurs in Southeast MN. Featuring a podcasting studio and digital fabrication lab, it aims to attract and anchor startups, catalyzing investment in the region.	Red Wing MN	\$494
Community Action Center	This project will prevent drug abuse and reduce drug use at rural high schools in Rice County, MN. Community and evidence-based, it will build on an existing program with a track record of measurable success.	Rice County MN	\$140
Neighborhood Development Center	Spark business growth among 1,800 underserved Twin Cities small businesses and startups through innovative small business digitalization services and tools, and a first-of-its-kind tech incubator program for Black and brown founders at NDC's Lake & Chicago Innovation Center in Minneapolis.	St. Paul MN	\$2,000
Rondo Community Land Trust	The Rondo CLT Business Technical Assistance Program empowers entrepreneurs in the Rondo community through tailored one-on-one support, group workshops, and a comprehensive technical assistance library.	St. Paul MN	\$828
Asian Economic Development Association	To create new jobs, new small businesses, and provide affordable housing to revitalize frogtown and St. Paul's existing Southeast Asian cultures in Little Mekong, while preventing displacement of the many Asian small businesses on the corridor.	St. Paul MN	\$4,000
African Economic Development Solutions	AEDS will offer culturally responsive small business training and technical assistance to 1,000 minority and other disadvantaged entrepreneurs across Minnesota, emphasizing job creation and economic empowerment.	St. Paul MN	\$1,000
Latino Economic Development Center (LEDC)	Business support and access to capital to Latino and immigrant-owned businesses in the Twin Cities metro area and several key regions in Greater Minnesota. Technical assistance will support agriculture businesses, local meat packing, and other business types.	St. Paul MN	\$500
City of Wyoming	The City of Wyoming is asking for \$8.0 million to assist the construction of a new Public Safety Facility for both Fire and Police services. A dedicated facility will enable all functions of Wyoming Public Safety to better serve our community and have standard modern day operational standards.	Wyoming MN	\$8,000